(d) the amount of refund claimed/submitted by SEBs for unweighed consignment, SEB-wise break-up and amount disallowed by CIL., company-wise break-up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir. The decisions taken in the above meeting *inter-alia* also included joint sampling and analysis of coal at the loading end, payment of undisputed outstanding dues with interest by power utilities within two months, and payment of disputed dues by arbitration within three months. However power utilities have not adhered to many of the decision taken in the above meeting.

(c) The company-wise percentage of coal despatched by rail to power houses during 1993-94 which was weighed at coal end is as under:

Company	per cent of coal weighed
ECL	95.7
BCCL	84.8
CCL	63.1
NCL	79.0
WCL	70.0
SECL	46.8
MCL	23.8

(d) These information are not kept centrally and collection of such materials would take a long time and entail costs which may not be commensurate with the purpose sought to be achieved.

Allocation of Coal

1782. SHRI JANARDAN YADAV: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the allocation of coal is made on linkage and sponsorship basis;

(b) if so, what is the basis and nature of the procedure alongwith the criteria of the said basis;

(c) whether any officer has plan found involved with the procedure and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) to (d) The quality and quantity of coal to be supplied to individual consumers is decided on the basis of specified parameters of boilers and other equipments and coal supplies are arranged accordingly from compatible sources as per the decision taken by the linkage committees. Complaints of irregularities in coal allotment despatch etc. as and when received are enquired into. Action including departmental action/prosecution is initiated in cases where complaints are substantiated. According to provisional information furnished by Vigilance Division of Coal India Limited, two cases were under prosecution while sixteen cases were pending under regular departmental action for irregularities connected with sale of coal, at the time of reporting. In addition two cases are under investigation by Central Bureau of Investigation.

Shortage of stock of Coal and Coke inBharat Cooking Coal Ltd

1783. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there was a net shortage in the stock of coal and coke worth over Rs. 30 crore in Bharat Coking Coal Ltd., during 1992-93;